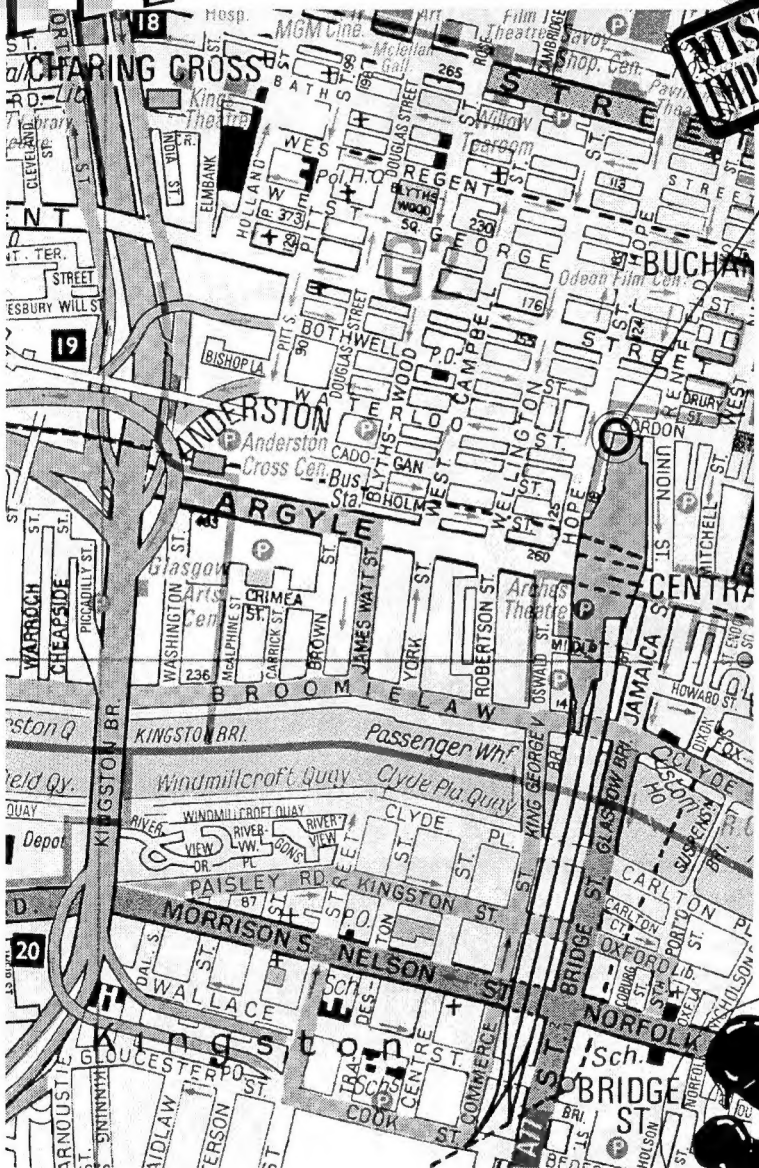


HYPOTHETICAL

MISSION IMPOSSIBLE 97



PR2

Editorial

At last the Con is upon us. The committee is putting the final touches to the programme items and everything is now in place. We're going to have some fun so have a read through this PR to get last minute news and the small but important information of WHEN, WHERE & HOW TO GET THERE.

The committee is unfortunately announcing that Hypotheticon's President Liam Duffy resigned a few weeks ago. Running a convention takes a lot of time and effort, and due to his new job Liam felt that he could not put that type of commitment into the Con. The committee is sorry to see Liam go and wish him all the best (don't worry Liam I'm sure you can give us a hand on the day in Tech Ops ☺). To cover this gap Sparks will be moving from the Secretary lair to the chief whip El Presidente spot. Barbara Sampson (Babs) has kindly agreed to help us out and take over as Secretary.

Since Hypotheticon is a Charity event, we thought that we'd better find a deserving soul; and the deserving soul in this case is Kersland School. Kersland sits on the outskirts of Paisley, and like the Mary Russell School (the Hypotheticon '95 charity) helps children between 5 & 18 years old with severe learning difficulties. The committee looks forward to presenting another huge cheque, with some similarly large numbers on it, to the headmistress Katherine Mulhearn. Once the Con dust has settled.

Hypotheticon is also lashing out large amounts of cash for a limited (we really do mean limited) run of T-shirts. Hot off the iron of Mortons T-Shirts, it has the BEM ID4 parody pisstake in glorious Technicolour. Orders will be taken at OPS and will be available in Xlarge / WideScreen formats. First come first served.

Anybody requiring a hotel room is advised to book now as only a limited number are available to Hypotheticon. See the hotel booking form for details.

As you are the proud owner of this splendid PR2 we obviously have your money; however advise your friends (you know, the ones that think they can crash on your hotel room floor) that the closing date for postal memberships is 19th of September and the 'on-the-door' price will be £25.

We've tried our best to keep '97 just as manic as '95 with a large dollop of silliness thrown in. To infinity and beyond...

S.P.G.

How To Get There

The Con is in the Central Hotel, Glasgow, in Central Station (surprise) between Hope Street and Union Street (See the front cover). It's accessible from an inside corner of the station behind the ticket office opposite John Menzies, and directly from Hope Street. Once inside find the main staircase. Go to the first floor. You will now be in Con territory and should see someone to drag you down into lunacy.

When To Get There

Hopefully 27th of September 1997. The doors open officially at 10 am, but we should be able to accommodate you from about 09:30. The opening ceremony is at 11:30 and the first round of the RPGA Tournament starts at 12. Things should start to go downhill rapidly from there. Hang onto to something tangible.

From the Committee

You get out what you put in. Your illustrious Fools-in-Charge have done their part, putting this 48 hour Con/Party together and we want it be a success. So be fair - put something into it as well. Our one teensy-weensy requirement of you is that you dress (note - not *undress*) for the Costume Ceilidh, Saturday night. Anything you want, we're not fussy. There are always those who really go to town on the costumes, but worry not if yours is a little less impressive (stop tittering). We're always way more impressed by an interesting/clever/silly/funny/embarrassing idea than by the full body alien costume bought for a small fortune last week.

Technicalities

All gophers will also be security for the Con. They say jump, you ask which window. The committee's word is final in all discussions. So don't even think of arguing. All weapons must be peace bonded (i.e. undrawable, unloaded and of no danger to anyone at any time)except in designated locations. I know this is boring, but hey, we have to make concessions to the local constabulary.

Auction

You've seen the con, you've drunk the beer - you might even have danced the dance. Now get that incredible, unique souvenir of the Hypotheticon 97 Experience at the all star (ish) charity auction. Our resident auctioneer Sparks, ably assisted by his blonde assistant, will be ~~bullying~~ tempting you into buying delights such as artwork from our special guests; stuff that's been scrawled on by various stars; and that elusive unsigned copy of The Colour of Magic*.

If you have anything you want to flog (dead horses not accepted) then bring it along and we'll flog it for you. Sure, we'll keep a bit of the money for the con charity, but the rest's yours. That includes items sold in the art show, by the way, so make it big at Hypotheticon.

Come along - better yet, just send your chequebook - and remember, it's all for charity.

*subject to availability and the committee not having dibs.

Costume Ceilidh

Dance? I can't even spell the damn thing, but it doesn't stop it being a whole lot of fun. We're hoping to get previous Hypotheticon and Albaconners "Steep the Feet" to provide the noise for what promises to be an evening of fun, frolics and grievous bodily harm. St John's Ambulance Ceilidh Bruise unit will be on hand all through Sunday morning to take care of the wounded.

Just to add a little spice (I'll tell you what I want - what I really, really want) we're also going to do it in costume, and we might even be persuaded to give a small ~~bribe~~ prize to the best or silliest on the floor. Alternatively, we might just give it to the person who manages the whole night in costume without (a) melting or (b) having it torn off.

Be there or be terminally goldfish.

Art Show

Those of you who actually read PR1 (and are now suitably rehabilitated) will remember the art show. Remember? Where I asked you all to give me your artistic efforts to be hung and ~~ridiculed~~ admired by all at the con. Well, we've had an overwhelmingly apathetic response, so I'm thoroughly ashamed of you all. Either you're all weally weally shy or you're completely talentless, and I find both of these a bit unlikely. So come on, there's still time to register your masterpiece!!

Despite you lot failing to deliver the goods, our guest of honour Brian Waugh has offered to plump up anything up to a dozen of his finest for us to admire. Local comic artist Colin McNeil - a name reverently whispered in the halls of the 2000AD offices to this day - may also grace the art show with some choice items. Just to offset all this talent, I'm putting in a couple of my latest, along with all the artwork from con publications, which you can all fight over in the auction.

If you want to enter something (anything!) for the art show, give me a shout via the con address (electronic or pigeon) and we'll see what we can arrange. I was only joking about keeping it. I meant the bit about the stripes and splodges though.

TPC (OCM Scum).

ODE TO BERT

Your skin is so velvety Green
It gives off a lovely sheen
I must be wrong in the head
but lets go to bed
you wonderful ugly green teasmaid.

By the way any chance of the maids uniform?

by JAFFA

Dear Jaffa,

Bert will be comming along to the Con and he has expressed an interest in meeting you in person. P.S. His dance card is empty for the Ceilidh

-Ed.

The Membership List

12	F/D	Aitken, Russell	Russell
22	F	Anderson, Graham	Graham
49	S	Atherton, Chris	Tiny Clanger
75	F	Barron, Suzanne A.	Zan
23	S	Blue, Kirsty	Kirsty
26	F	Boyce, Chris	Tum Tum
27	F	Boyd, Colin	Aptiva Man
94	F	Buckley, Ed	Ed Buckley
24	F	Burdge, John	Lemuel
47	F	Carnegie, Gillian	Djade
28	F	Carty, Alistair	Alligator Descartes
51	F	Christie, Martin	Martin
54	S	Cobb, Graeme	Fidjet
29	F	Cutland, Howard	Howard
55	F	Dalglish, Colin	Dale
30	F	Daly, Julia	Julia
83	F	Dickson, Karen	Karen
95	F	Douglas, Sandy	Sandy
70	F	Drysdale, Colin	Fluff
81	F	Duffy, Liam	Jethrick
71	F	Englefield, Mark	Not Brian Milton
88	F	Fletcher, Fiona	Fiona
86	S	French, Lynn	Pepper
7	F/G	Gay, Anne	Anne Gay
93	F	Gausden, Claire-Marie	Ushi
56	F	Halbert, Liz	Jaffa
31	F	Hessan, Cara	Cara
2	F/C	Hill, Alison	Auntie Ali
57	S	Hodges, Jan	Jan
50	F	Hosking, Niall	Vermin
32	S	Hossain, Tanzeema	Tanya
96	F	Hughes, Gordon	Bucky
73	F	Hutchinson, Tamsyn	Closer
84	F	Jones, Martin	Martin
85	F	Jones, Helen	Helen
10	F/D	Kerr, Brian	Brian
33	F	Kirkwood, Wendy	Venusia
34	S	Krishnamoorthy, Latha	Latha
59	F	Leslie, Erlend	Erlend
60	F	MacNeill, Justin	Abbadon
38	F	Mair, Ann	Ann Mair
4	F/C	Marshall, Scott	Dodgy Blonde Tart
72	F	Matson, Mhairi	Mogwai

20	F	Matthews, Sandy	Sandy Matthews
21	F	Matthews, Elaine	Elaine
5	F/C	McChrystal, Neil	The Psycho Chicken
3	F/C	McDougall, Grant	S.P.G.
11	F/D	McGowan, Marie	Marie
80	F	McGrory, Simon	Simon
89	F	McIlwraith, Bradley	Brad
35	S	McKendrick, John	John
36	S	McKendrick, Pauline	Pauline
37	S	McKendrick, Richard	Richard
61	F	McMurdie, Robert	Bertie
48	F	McPaul, Jimmy	Malt Man
91	F	McPaul, Richard	Bean
39	F	McWilliams, Lucy	Lucifer
74	F	Mosses, Richard	Richard
76	F	Murnin, J	J. Murnin
9	F/G	Nicholls, Stan	Stan
62	F	O'Dell, James	James
79	F	Paolini, Paul	Paul
63	F	Pirrie, Christine	Auntie Christ
64	F	Quin, Jenny	Jenny
41	S	Rodriguez, Rick	Rick
87	F	Russell, Steven	Steve the Elf
53	F	Sage, Meurig	Mig
92	S/C	Sampson, Barbara	Auntie Babs
45	F	Simpson, Neil	Maniac
42	F	Sinha, Ivan	Ivan
43	F	Sinha, Sheila	Sheila
44	F	Sleith, Caroline J	Carolyn
78	F	Sneddon, Peter	Squiggle
25	F	Sneddon, Robert	Nojay
1	F/C	Sparks	Sparks
90	F	Sparks, Michael	Zathras
65	F	Stewart, Alastair	Smurf
66	F	Stewart, Stephen	Stewarty
82	F	Strachan, June	June
77	F	Sullivan, Alan	Ford-Granada Scorpio
46	F	Taylor, Cameron	Cameron
67	F	Tidswell, Helen	Helen
68	F	Watt, John	Boris the Bewildered
8	F/G	Waugh, Brian	Brian Waugh
52	F	Wood, Kenneth	Woody
58	F	Woodcock-Kroble, Mary L	Mary
69	S	Young, Allan	Old Lotch

TO BE GIVEN TO YOUR TARDY FRIENDS

Where ?

Central Hotel, Gordon St, Glasgow G1

When ?

27th & 28th of September 1997, from 10am Saturday morning
till 6ish Sunday night.

How much ?

Supporting £5, full membership £20. Postal memberships will not be
accepted after the 19th, £25 on the door!

Room rates ?

Single room £30, Double room £50. Lots POA.

Snail mail address:

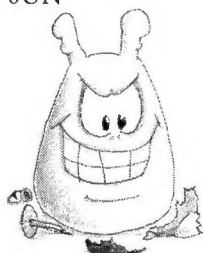
Hypotheticon 97, Flat 3/L, 38 Scotstoun Street, Glasgow, G14 0UN

E-mail address:

hypotheticon@ukonline.co.uk

Web address:

<http://web.ukonline.co.uk/hypotheticon/>



Real Name: _____

Badge Name: _____

(Silly pseudonym, or whatever else you want to be known as)

Address: _____

Any special needs
(e.g. wheelchair access)

(Please detail)

- ☐ I wish to support HYPOTHETICON 97. (enclose £5.00 until 19/07/97)
- ☐ I wish to attend HYPOTHETICON 97. (enclose £20.00 until 19/09/97 / £25.00 at the door)
- ☐ I wish to apply for a room single/double/lots. (see hotel booking form)
- ☐ I wish information about Gophering *(Tick if you can spare some time to help at the Con.)*

Amount Enclosed: _____ *(Make cheques payable to 'Hypotheticon,'. Enclose an S.A.E. if you require a receipt.)*